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Clergy's Concern

To the Editor:

It appears that some confusion has arisen over the news, account which appeared in The Times of Nov. 29 regarding the clergy conference.

Particularly at issue is whether or not the conference adopted a "resolution," as reported by The Times. A number of clergy have objected to this report.

This is a matter of deep concern because the conference was a "study conference," not a demonstration pro or con. United States Government policy in Vietnam. In this connection we were particularly disturbed by another news account carried in The Times of Dec. 1. It referred to the conference as a "demonstration." This is totally erroneous.

Nevertheless, the use of the term resolution was an understandable error. While no resolution was passed in the formal sense prescribed by parliamentary procedure, recommendations were made which quite apparently had the support of the majority of the participants.

Clergy Concerned About Vietnam continues to be a group of more than two hundred clergy interested not so much in protest or support of Government policy as in stimulating informed discussion of the crucial questions involved in the Vietnam conflict.

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